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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	Group Art Unit: 1714
	AL-MALAIKA, Sahar)	Examiner: NILAND, P. D.
Serial	No.: 10/046,624))	
Filed:	October 29, 2001))	Confirmation No. 4809
For:	Thermoplastic Molding Compositions and Polymer Additives))	Pasadena, California

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated November 20, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper.